

**Pension Application for Isaac J. Truax**

S.13091

State of New York

County of Schenectady SS.

On this nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in Open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Schenectady and State of New York aforesaid now sitting Isaac Truax (who was until his father's death called Isaac J. Truax) a resident of the City of Schenectady in the County of Schenectady aged seventy two years and who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the Act of congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he was born in the City of Schenectady in the State of New York in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty six July the sixteenth. He has a record of his age in the Book of Records of the Prot. Ref. Cutch Church in Schenectady he always resided before and ever since the war of the Revolution in said City of Schenectady.

That en entered into the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated.

That in the month of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven he enlisted into the company commanded by Captain Tunis Fisher into the Regiment of Col. Christopher C. Yates for nine months the Company was formed at Albany and marched to Scheensboro and deponent continued in the Company doing duty as a private soldier at Fort Ann and Scheensboro for the term of nine months to wit till January A.D. 1778 when he was Honorably discharged he has no discharge in writing.

And this deponent further says that in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty he was drafted into the service of the United States to go to Johnstown. That he marched with the company to which he belonged under Captain Walter Vooman into the Regiment of Col. Harper that the company & Regiment marched to Johnstown in the County of Montgomery & State of New York & repulsed the Enemy. The Company was then after a short period of fourteen days discharged having driven back the enemy for which purpose they were called out. He had no discharge in writing this was in the year 1780.

And this deponent further says that in the same year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty he this deponent enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Walter Vrooman in the Regiment of Colonel John Harper in the State Troops of the State of New York he enlisted at Schenectady and marched with the Company to which he belonged to a place called Canaseraga and after being there a short time the Americans stationed there were attacked by the British under Sir William Johnson [Sir John Johnson, Sir William died before the war began] and Indians under the Famous Indian Chief Joseph Brant, and in the engagement which ensured the Americans were defeated and the place Burnt and this deponent with sixty three other soldiers from

different companies were taken prisoner and taken to Canada that this deponent was confined at a place called Bucks Island in Canada that this deponent remained there a Prisoner during all the rest of the war of the Revolution after which he returned to Schenectady that when taken a prisoner he had but just commenced the said Term of nine months for which he had enlisted that he had faithfully done duty as a soldier from his enlistment with his capture as above.

That he suffered a great deal during his imprisonment which was about three years.

The following are the names of some of the regular officers whom he knew, or who were with the troops where he served, and such continental and militia regiment or companies, with which he served, or as he can recollect, viz: Jellis A. Fonda, Joo;hn Quackenbush Walter Vrooman, col. Wemple, Major Wemple. The said Jellis was a Captain at this time as was also Walter Vrooman, Colonel C.C. Yates, Col. Harper, Col Willet, Col Nicholas Fish.

He never received any written discharge from the service.

He has no documentary evidence, and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except the deposition hereto annexed.

The following are the names of persons to whom he is known in his present neighborhood, and who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution, to wit: John Corl and David VanDerHyden.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever, to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. (Signed) Isaac J. Truax

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year first aforesaid. John L.Vrooman,  
Clerk